

Health Care Services for Children with Special Health Care Needs

Objectives:

- > Compare state-by-state differences in 15 key areas of health and health care services for Children with Special Health Care Needs
- > Create rankings from those 15 key areas

15 Key Areas: Comparing Rhode Island and US using survey data on health care services for Children with Special Health Care Needs

| Key Areas | RI | US |
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| CHILD HEALTH | | |
| 1. Percent of children whose conditions affect their activities | 18.4 | 23.2 |
| 2. Percent of school-aged children with 11 or more days of school absences due to illness | 13.7 | 15.8 |
| HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE | | |
| 3. Percent of children uninsured at some point in past year | 6.9 | 11.6 |
| 4. Percent of children uninsured at the time of the survey | 2.3 | 5.2 |
| 5. Percent of currently insured children with Insurance not adequate | 26.3 | 33.5 |
| ACCESS TO CARE | | |
| 6. Percent of children with unmet need for specific health care services | 13.2 | 17.7 |
| 7. Percent of children with unmet need for family support services | 4.0 | 5.1 |
| 8. Percent of children needing specialty care who had difficulty getting a referral | 16.8 | 21.9 |
| 9. Percent of children without a usual source of care (rely on the Emergency Room) | 10.3 | 9.3 |
| 10. Percent of children with no personal doctor or nurse | 6.0 | 11.0 |
| FAMILY-CENTERED CARE | | |
| 11. Percent of children without family-centered care | 31.8 | 33.5 |
| IMPACT ON FAMILY | | |
| 12. Percent of children whose families paid \$1,000 or more for medical expenses in past year | 5.2 | 11.2 |
| 13. Percent of children whose condition caused financial problems for the family | 14.8 | 20.9 |
| 14. Percent of children whose families spend 11+ hours per week providing or coordinating care | 11.0 | 13.5 |
| 15. Percent of children whose condition affected the employment of family members | 26.8 | 29.9 |

Rhode Island Ranks First (among all 50 states and DC)

